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Inventors:	Karl R. Meyer	Confirmation No.:	9448
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TITLE:	A METHOD FOR FABRICATING A HARD COVER FOR AN ARTICLE	Art Unit:	1732

**REPLY AND AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 13, 2006, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Applicant hereby extends the time for reply two months.

**AMENDMENTS TO the CLAIMS** reflect the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS** begin on page 5 of this paper.